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HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE MATERIEL COMMAND
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE OHIO

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALAFMC/CV

FROM: HQ AFMC/CIO

SUBJECT: Information Technology Purchasing - Network Centric Solutions (NETCENTS) -
ACTION MEMORANDUM

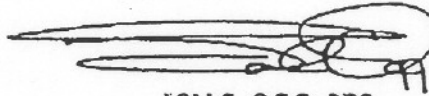
1. The attached AF-CIO policy memo mandates the NETCENTS contract as the source for communication capabilities procured to satisfy Air Force appropriated fund (APF) requirements for products and services associated with the design, engineering, integration, installation and configuration of Air Force networks and networked infrastructure. Per Mr Rick Nelson, AF-CIO/S, the term "services" in this context refers to the mandatory NETCENTS requirements related to Air Force networks and networked infrastructure. Consultant, tech advisory or analytical "services" are not mandatory, but NETCENTS may be used for such services and this use is encouraged. This policy complements the one issued last summer dealing with the procurement of all desktop/laptop computers requiring the use of AFWay (<https://afway.af.mil>) that focused on standard buying configurations as identified in the Infostructure Technology Reference Model (i-TRM) (<https://itrm.hq.af.mil>). Uniformity in our purchasing simplifies user acquisition and ensures efficiency and effectiveness of our support processes aimed at providing consistent support of end users regardless of organizational assignment and geographic location within the command. As such, all ongoing APF acquisition efforts shall incorporate NETCENTS.

2. Deviation from this policy requires written approval from the AFMC CIO. Any applications for waivers should address all impacts including the procurement and sustainment costs on acquisition and support organizations.

3. Congruent with these steps toward standardization, we are evaluating the benefits of consolidating workgroup managers (WGMs) within the communications organizations at each installation with an aim to ensure consistent quality and readiness of our WGMs to meet both in garrison as well as deployed operations. The workgroup manager community is the agent for providing consistent support on standard configurations across the installation, to include selection of contractor support services using the NETCENTS vehicle.

4. In summary, we now have policies governing both the purchase of desktop equipment as well as products and services associated with the design, engineering, integration, installation and configuration of Air Force networks and networked infrastructure. As stated above and in the referenced policies, compliance is not optional and waivers require the approval of the MAJCOM CIO. In addition, we have an opportunity and obligation to maintain or improve the services provided by WGMs while ensuring that AFMC has a trained workforce to meet our deployment needs with a minimum of disruption to services provided at home.

5. I appreciate your support in implementing and enforcing these policies. Questions regarding this action memorandum can be directed to Dr. Chester Harris, HQ AFMC/TR, 937-257-3626 (DSN 787-3626), chester.harris@wpafb.af.mil.



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